

House Resolution No. 3914

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since Gene Spire lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Pat Mendenhall, during a solemn ceremony on June 2, 1955, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Maryville, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Gene and Pat Spire have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Teri and Dan Tobin of Pickering, Ed and Patty Spire of Maryville, and Doug and Stephanie Spire of Lee's Summit; and ten grandchildren; and

Whereas, Gene Spire provided a comfortable home and secure future for his loved ones through his successful endeavor as the owner of Spire Construction in Maryville; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Pat Spire further distinguished herself by retiring after thirty-three years of service with University of Missouri Extension, for which she still works part-time in Maryville; and

Whereas, during their half century together, Gene and Pat Spire have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Spire of Maryville commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on June 5, 2005, at the Maryville Housing Complex:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Gene and Pat Spire and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Gene Spire.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3914, adopted July 6, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker